

REMARKS

The Examiner rejects claims 87-89 as being anticipated by Isogai et al. US patent 6,943,241 under 35 USC § 102(e). The claims are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

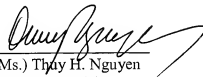
The Examiner rejects claims 10, 65-67 and 83-89 as being obvious over Isogai et al. US patent 6,943,241 ('Isogai') in view of Kennedy US publication 2001/0016651, under 35 USC § 103(a). The claims are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

The Examiner states that claims 1, 2, 4, 8, 57-59, 61, 70-77, and 79-82 are allowed. Applicants look forward to early receipt of the Notice of Allowability.

Consideration and favourable action on all pending claims are respectfully requested. If any questions or issues remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account Number 19-2550.

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